



EPA to Conduct Removal Action at the Eaton Sugar Beet Factory in Weld County



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will conduct an emergency removal of hazardous substances beginning this week at the 43-acre abandoned sugar beet mill located near the intersection of US Highway 85 and County Road 74, Eaton, Weld County, CO. EPA estimates the cleanup will be complete by the end of April.

EPA in cooperation with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) will address the need to mitigate threats posed to the Eaton community by asbestos and other miscellaneous wastes existing at the site.

During the removal action, EPA will remove all material considered hazardous to human health and the environment. All indoor removal activities will be conducted with strict air control methods. Dust control measures will be conducted during outdoor soil removal and other activities, and perimeter air monitoring will be conducted.

The Eaton Sugar Beet Factory (ESBF) includes an abandoned 4-story building (the former beet processing factory), an old and dilapidated boiler, a machine shop, storage houses, an office building, and other miscellaneous structures.

Construction of the ESBF began in 1902 by the Kilby Manufacturing Company of Cleveland Ohio. Beet processing at the Site continued for over 70 years.

The Town of Eaton intends to redevelop the abandoned property into an industrial business park that is rail-served with a mini-transload facility.

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